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OFFICE OF  
AIR AND RADIATION

The Honorable Glenn Grothman  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Grothman:

Thank you for your letter of April 25, 2018, to Scott Pruitt, Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regarding the proposed designation of Sheboygan county for the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for ground-level ozone. The Administrator asked that I respond to you on his behalf.

In a December 20, 2017, letter to Governor Scott Walker, EPA provided its preliminary response to Wisconsin's designation recommendations for the 2015 ozone standards and invited Wisconsin to submit any additional information that the state would like EPA to consider. EPA also made these preliminary designation decisions publicly available in the *Federal Register* and solicited public input. The agency carefully considered all information provided and continued to work with Wisconsin on appropriate designations and boundaries for areas in Wisconsin, including Sheboygan County.

EPA sent a letter on April 30, 2018, to Governor Walker with the final area designations under the 2015 ozone standards. The final designation of attainment/unclassifiable for the majority of Sheboygan County and nonattainment for a small shoreline portion of the county reflect our further analysis and extensive discussions with the state, and reflect our renewed commitment to cooperative federalism. For more information on the final designations, please visit: <https://www.epa.gov/ozone-designations/ozone-designations-2015-standards-wisconsin-state-recommendations-and-epa>.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Matthew Davis in EPA's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations at [davis.matthew@epa.gov](mailto:davis.matthew@epa.gov) or at (202) 564-1267.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W L Wehrum".

William L. Wehrum  
Assistant Administrator